

APPENDIX J

LATERAL PRESSURES DUE TO COMPACTION

J-1. Design pressure envelope. The design pressure envelope for nonyielding walls with compaction effects will be derived. The lateral pressure due to at-rest conditions is shown in Figure J-1.

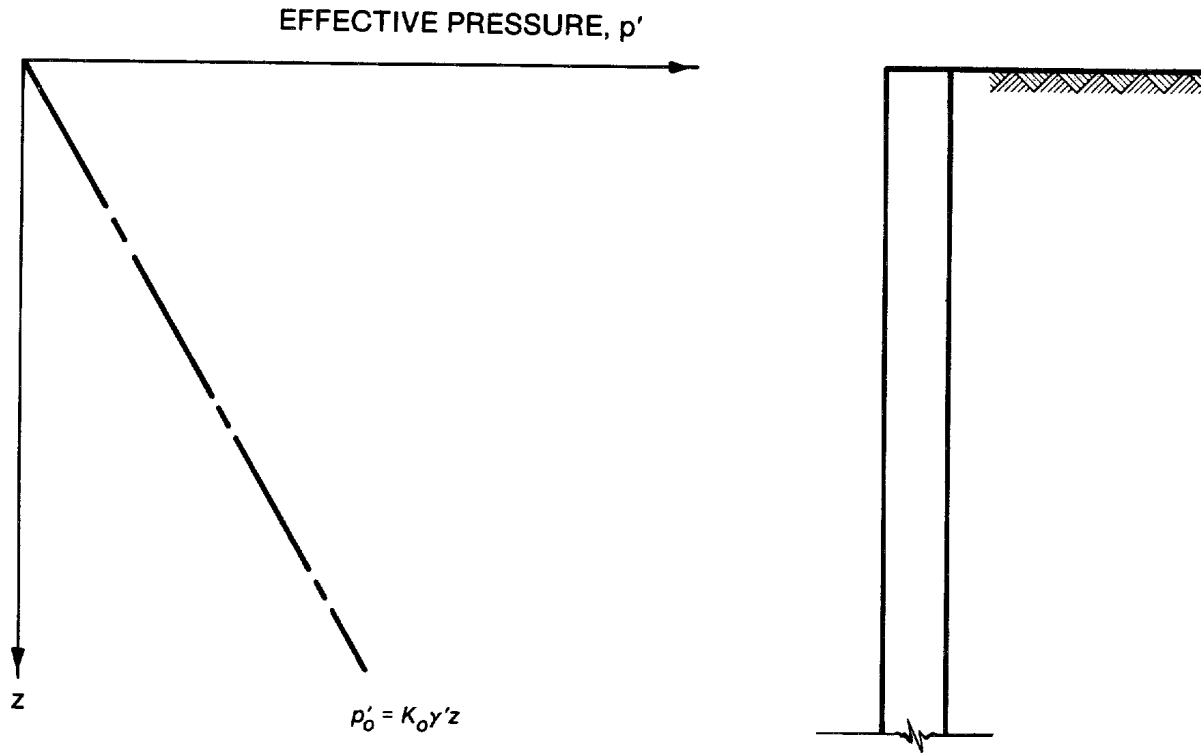


Figure J-1. Lateral pressure due to at-rest conditions
($\gamma' = \gamma$ above water table).

The lateral pressure induced by a compaction roller line load is shown in Figure J-2.

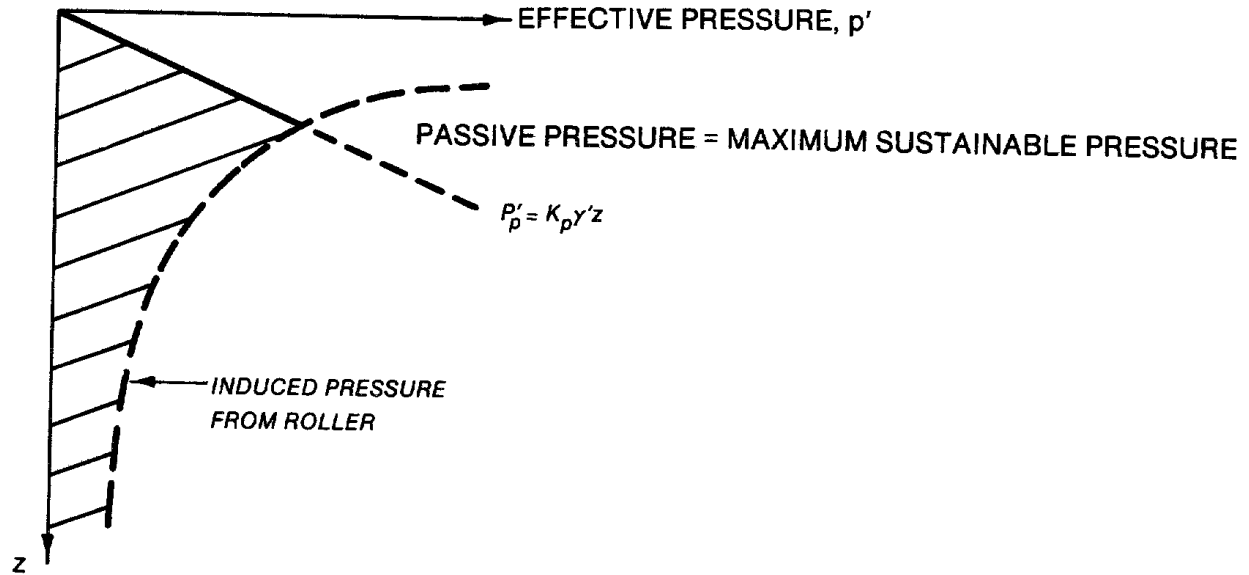


Figure J-2. Lateral pressure induced by compaction roller line load.

In Figure J-2,

$$\Delta p'_v = \frac{2P}{\pi z} \quad \text{where } P \text{ is the roller load, lb/linear ft}$$

$$\Delta p'_h = \frac{2K_o P}{\pi z} \quad \text{where } P \text{ is the roller load, lb/linear ft}$$

The maximum lateral pressure occurs at z_{cr} and the passive pressure is

$$p'_p = K_p \gamma' z \quad [J-1]$$

Taking

$$K_p = \frac{1}{K_A}$$

and inserting this into Equation J-1 yields

$$p'_p = \frac{\gamma' z}{K_A} \quad [J-2]$$

The horizontal pressure due to the earth and roller is

$$P'_h = K_o \gamma' z + \frac{2K_o P}{\pi z} \quad [J-3]$$

Using Equations J-2 and J-3 and solving for the critical depth z_{cr} yields

$$\frac{\gamma' z_{cr}}{K_a} = K_o \gamma' z_{cr} + \frac{2K_o P}{\pi z_{cr}}$$

$$\gamma' z_{cr}^2 = K_a K_o \gamma' z_{cr}^2 + \frac{2K_a K_o P}{\pi}$$

$$\gamma' z_{cr}^2 (1 - K_a K_o) = \frac{2K_a K_o P}{\pi}$$

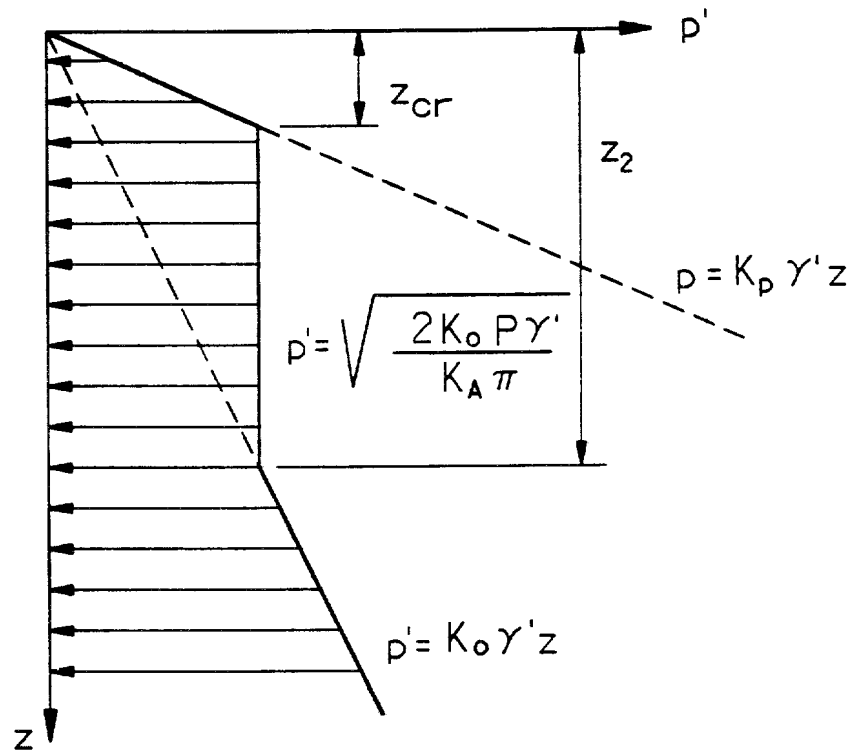
Assuming $(1 - K_a K_o) \approx 1$

$$z_{cr} = \sqrt{\frac{2K_a K_o P}{\pi \gamma'}}$$

The horizontal pressure at z_{cr} is

$$P'_h = \frac{\gamma' z_{cr}}{K_a} = \sqrt{\frac{2K_o P \gamma'}{K_a \pi}}$$

The maximum pressure is constant below z_{cr} until it is exceeded by at-rest pressure, because the foregoing analysis represents each successive top lift. The design pressure envelope for nonyielding walls including the effects of compaction is shown in Figure J-3.



$$z_{cr} = \sqrt{\frac{2K_A K_o P}{\pi \gamma}}$$

$$z_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2P}{K_A K_o \pi \gamma'}}$$

Figure J-3. Design pressure envelope for nonyielding walls with compaction effects.